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AMENDMENT FILED WITH A CORRESPONDING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114

Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby submit this request for continued examination ("RCE") including an Amendment addressing the rejections made in the October 15, 2007 Final Office Action issued in connection with the above-identified patent application. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.114(a), prior to the filing of a notice of appeal, an applicant may file an RCE of an application including the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) so as to file a submission such as an amendment to the claims or new evidence in support of patentability.

A Final Office Action was issued on October 15, 2007 by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the October 15, 2007 Final Office Action is due on January 15, 2008. Accordingly, this RCE and Amendment are being timely filed. In the event, however, that an extension of time is determined to be required, please treat this paper as a request under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) to charge Deposit Account No. 13-2755 the appropriate large entity fee in order to avoid abandonment.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this Amendment. Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this Amendment. DATE OF DEPOSIT

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